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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
MENNO KALMANN et al.) Examiner: ISABELLA, D.
Application No.: 08/809,630) Art Unit: 3738
Filed: June 27, 1997) PETITION TO EXTEND TIME UNDER
For: ASSEMBLY FOR TREATING BLOOD) 37 CFR §1.136(a) RECEIVED
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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action, dated April 22, 1998 for 3 months, from July 22, 1998 to October 22, 1998. An appropriate response to the Office Action in the form of an Amendment After Final & Notice of Appeal are enclosed herewith.

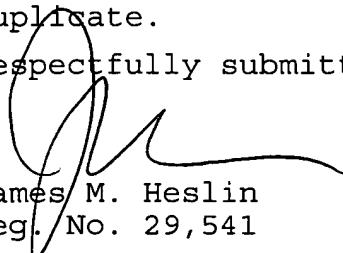
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